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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Beverly Hills – Four Arrested in California Home Depot Mass Theft

(U) Authorities arrested four suspects in Beverly Hills believed to be involved in a flash mob robbery at Home Depot in the Lakewood Center Mall. The Home Depot incident was one of several brazen robberies playing out around Los Angeles last weekend, including one where a security guard was punched and another where an employee was sprayed with a chemical agent. The suspects were arrested from two traffic stops of vehicle leaving the scene. An investigation into the incident is ongoing. SOURCE: 29 November 2021, [Mercury News](#)

(U) Los Angeles – California Man Arrested in Conspiracy Case Involving 6 January US Capitol Breach

(U) Federal authorities arrested a California man for conspiracy and other crimes related to the breach of the US Capitol on 6 January, which disrupted a joint session of Congress that was in the process of ascertaining and counting the electoral votes related to the US presidential election. The indictment alleges that, in the fall of 2020, the suspect and others created a Telegram group chat and used it as a platform to advocate violence against certain groups and individuals that either supported the elections results, groups perceived as liberal, or held positions of authority in government. The group collected weapons and tactical gear to bring to Washington and stormed past barricades unlawfully. SOURCE: 29 November 2021, [US DOJ](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Texas – US Border Patrol Finds 28 Migrants Inside Water Tank

(U) Freer – US Border Patrol Agents found 28 migrants inside a water tank at the Freer Border Patrol Checkpoint on US 59. During a vehicle inspection of a freightliner hauling a water tank, a K-9 unit alerted agents to possible contraband near the front of the water tank. Agents climbed on top of the tank, looked inside, and observed 28 migrants hiding inside the tank. The driver advised officers that he believed the water tank to be empty and was delivering it to a ranch in Texas. An investigation is under way. SOURCE: 29 November 2021, [Laredo Morning Times](#)

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(U) District of Columbia – Retailers Call for Federal Legislation as Organized Thefts Continue

(U) Washington – National retailers are advocating for federal legislation that would make online reselling of stolen goods more difficult after a nationwide wave of organized retail thefts continued over the Thanksgiving weekend. In addition to potential legislation law enforcement agencies, specifically in California, are working together to combat organized retail theft and break up networks that make the crime possible. Retailers believe that a federal law would reduce the incentive to commit these kinds of large-scale thefts. SOURCE: 29 November 2021, [The Crime Report](#)

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(U) Florida – 18 Cuban Migrants in Federal Custody After Making Landfall in Miami Area

(U) Marathon – US Border Patrol agents intercepted 18 Cuban rafters after they made landfall on Marathon Key just south of Miami. The illicit migrants were a part of a maritime smuggling operation in the Florida Keys. The latest interception comes after the US Coast Guard reported the return of 16 Cubans to the island after being found in two boats in the Keys. Between 1 October and 2 November of this year, Coast Guard crews have intercepted 248 Cubans.

SOURCE: 29 November 2021, [CBS Miami](#)

(U) Michigan – Police Fatally Shoot Man Who Wounded Three Passengers on Bus

(U) Kalamazoo – Authorities advise a suspect who shot three people on a city bus in Kalamazoo died after being wounded during a gunfire exchange with police. The motive behind the shootings was not immediately clear, with reports stating the suspect “boarded the bus and began firing rounds.” Officers responded to the report of shots fired on the bus and exchanged gunfire and wounding the suspect. No officers were wounded. None of the passengers’ injuries were considered life threatening.

SOURCE: 29 November 2021, [CW Detroit](#)

(U) Puerto Rico – US Coast Guard Crews Interdict Four Smugglers, Seize \$12 Million in Cocaine

(U) San Juan – US Coast Guard authorities seized approximately 400-kilograms of cocaine and transferred custody of four suspected smugglers to federal agents following the interdiction of a ‘go-fast’ vessel near Dorado. The vessel, first observed by a Customs and Border Protection aircrew, was shortly pursued interdiction vehicle before being compelled to stop. The 16-bales of cocaine has a street value of \$12 million dollars. The smugglers face multiple charges from the event.

SOURCE: 29 November 2021, [Sea power Magazine](#)

(U) Vermont – Police Arrest Multiple Suspects Drug Trafficking Investigation

(U) Rutland – Police arrested multiple people as part of a multi-agency investigation into drug trafficking in Rutland. The arrests were derived from an investigation launched by the Vermont Drug Task Force in the summer of 2020. A search of a residence identified as a significant source of cocaine in Rutland led to the arrest of four individuals on a variety of charges. Police advise cocaine, guns, and other evidence of drug trafficking were located during the search of the residence.

SOURCE: 29 November 2021, [WCAX News](#)

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(U) Democratic Republic of Congo – At least 22 Killed in Attack on Displaced People’s Camp in Congo

(U) Ivo – A rebel attack in the northeast of the Democratic Republic of Congo killed at least 22 civilians. The Cooperative for the Development of the Congo carried out the attack on the Ivo displaced people’s camp in Ituri state. Members of the armed group opened fire on the asylum seekers and many people fled the camp. The incident comes a week after an attack on the same camp resulted in the killing of 29 civilians. Armed groups have been trying to control gold, cobalt, and other mines in the region for nearly 20-years through attacks and clashes.

SOURCE: 29 November 2021, [Anadolu Agency](#)

(U) Pakistan – Six Terrorists Arrested in Intelligence-based Operations in Punjab

(U) Punjab – Six terrorists were arrested in separate intelligence-based operations in Pakistan’s eastern Punjab province. The Counter Terrorism Department in Punjab advised that the militants were apprehended during a string of operations launched across multiple cities of the province based on

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received intelligence. The militants were planning to carry out terror activities in the province. Authorities also seized a huge cache of explosives, sophisticated arms, hand grenades and other sensitive materials from the terrorists' possession.

SOURCE: 29 November 2021, [Deccan Herald](#)

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